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CAUSA

1. TRIP IS OFF. BIG STORY IN NEW YORK POST ON LETTER FROM SOCIETY FOR PREVENTION OF WORLD WAR III WHICH CAUSA RECEIVED BY CABLE FROM KREKELER FEB 22 WAS LAST STRAW. CAUSA DISCUSSED WITH UPTHRUST AND BOTH CAME TO CONCLUSION TRIP INADVISABLE AT THIS TIME UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. CAUSA TERRIBLY DISAPPOINTED AND APOLOGETIC, BUT FEELS HE SHOULD NOT RISK DISTURBING FAVORABLE ATMOSPHERE THEODORE THUESSEN'S TRIP, BECOME CAUSE OF EMBARRASSMENT HIS GOVERNMENT OR OURS OR HIMSELF BE OBJECT OF PICKET LINES. NO STATEMENT ON POSTPONEMENT OR CANCELLATION OF TRIP CONTEMPLATED HERE, AS NO DATE EVER PUBLISHED. CAUSA SUGGESTS STATEMENT WASH IF ANY NECESSARY, BE WORKED OUT BETWEEN DEPT AND GERMAN EMBASSY. HE HAS IN FACT BEEN ILL AND THIS COULD BE USED. BUT POSSIBLY SIMPLE STATEMENT THAT NO SUCH TRIP IN PROSPECT FOR TIME BEING WOULD DO AS WELL.

2. RE BONN 5052 (IN 42015) FOLLOWING FROM [] EARLIER THIS WEEK: ON 11 OR 12 FEB CAUSA CALLED IN CORRESPONDENT HUGO GRUESSEN (CDU-ORIENTED RUHR-NACHRICHTEN, DORTMUND) WITH WHOM HE ON CLOSE PERSONAL TERMS. CAUSA TOLD GRUESSEN HE HAD FEELING (NOTE: GRUESSEN IMPRESSION THAT CAUSA HAD BEEN TIPPED OFF) HIS FORTHCOMING U.S. TRIP WOULD BE EXPLOITED BY CERTAIN QUARTERS "KILL HIM OFF"

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(NOTE: CAUSA APPARENTLY AWARE VON ECKARDT PLANS) BY INSPIRED PUBLICITY AGAINST HIM IN NEW YORK AND ELSEWHERE ON EVE HIS ARRIVAL. CAUSA EXPRESSED GREAT CONCERN THIS POSSIBILITY AND ASKED FOR GRUESSEN ADVICE. LATTER SUGGESTED CAUSA CANCEL TRIP ALTOGETHER. CAUSA REPLIED WOULD PROBABLY BE MOST PRUDENT ACTION BUT HE COULD NOT BRING HIMSELF TO CALL OFF AGAIN AFTERAALL ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN COMPLETED. DISCUSSION ENDED WITH NO DECISION.

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